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are sorry that we cannot conveniently send you a cheque for the overdue bill; but if it will be any convenience to you we will renew it. (Of course we do not like renewing, but if you cannot hold it over we will renew it; so kindly let us know by return post. Please send twenty packed boxes of crystal sugar, &c. This is just as you (baring the spelling) and the high-toned demur to renewing must content itself to sound men of business as quite orthodox.—Australia.)

THE JAVA opium farms, we learn from the *Stratford Times*' translations, have been let collectively for one million of guilders more per annum for the next three years than was the case for the previous term, notwithstanding the prevalence of smuggling. This result is ascribed to a powerful *hongkong* having become the highest bidder in many Residencies, and to more vigorous measures being at length taken to check opium smuggling.

The *Electrician* says that the life of a submarine telegraph cable is from ten to twelve years. If a cable breaks in deep water after it is ten years old, it cannot be lifted for repairs as it will break of its own weight, and cable companies are compelled to put aside a large reserve fund in order that they may be prepared to replace their cables every ten years. The action of the sea cuts the iron away completely, and it crumbles to dust, while the core of the cable may be perfect. The breakages of cables are very costly, and it is a very difficult matter to repair them in comparison with a land line. A ship has to be chartered at \$600 a day for two or three weeks in fixing the locality and in avoiding rough weather, as cables can only be repaired in calm weather. One break in the Direct cable cost \$100,000.

We do not know who the Red Cross Knights are, but, judging from the manifesto they have issued against our Chinese fellow-colonists, they seem to be terrible persons indeed. This resounding manifesto begins, we learn, by stating that the Chinese in this Colony are at times guilty of crimes, especially towards women and children, offences, of course that are unheard of among Europeans, and proceeds:—“We, as Red Cross Knights, until the foul murderers and violators of our young people are brought to justice, solemnly swear before Almighty God to hold the whole body, from the Emperor of China, Kung Meng and Co., down to the meanest subject of the Chinese nation, as the deadliest enemies, and swear this by our honour as Red Cross Knights; and we further will continue to agitate and to offensive and defensive until the Chinese are expelled from our shores. This we solemnly swear as Red Cross Knights.” That is very good for high, and if the Emperor of China, Kung Meng and Co., do not quail when they read it, they may be very daring and foolhardy persons. We have no information as to the style of warfare the Ballarat Red Cross Knights purpose to adopt against the Emperor of China, whether it will take the form of a Nihilist conspiracy, and the blowing up of his dining-hall with dynamite, or whether it will be limited to passing resolutions and occasionally roughly handling an unfortunate human when this can be done with safety. It would be interesting to get further information on this point. At present the Red Cross Knights are in danger of being viewed as a party of silly agitators who like to hear themselves “orate” and mistake tall language for strength, and foolish, empty titles for dignity.—Australia.

The following particulars as to Viscount Mountbatten are from the latest edition of the *Peerage*—

[Mountbatten Viscount, 1763, Baron Mountbatten, 1766 (1st), and a Baronet, 1861—William Browne de Montbatten, 5th Viscount, a.b. (T.D.), s.p. in co. Galway (eldest son of Hervey, 4th Viscount, and Sarah Dowager Viscountess (d. 1877) dau. of William Shaw, esq.); b. 21 April 1832; s. his father, 23 Jan. 1872; m. 12 Nov. 1892, Harriet, second dau. of the late George Broadrick, esq. of Bampal Stubs, Yorkshire, and granddaughter of the late Sir H. Fletcher, bart, R.E. Issue surviving:

—Hon. William Geoffrey Bouchard, b. 23 Sept. 1872.

Arthur Albion, b. 26 Oct. 1874.

Hon. Victoria.

Hon. Harriet Evelyn.

Brothers and Sisters.

Hon. Francis Raymond, r.c.v., Bachelor-at-Law; b. 1855; m. 1865, Elizabeth Hester, youngest dau. of the late Lieut. Colonel J. E. Mathews, of White Abbey, Dublin.

—Albert Bouchard, Captain R.E., Art. (Bengal); b. 1840.

Hon. Arthur Hill Trevor, B.A., M.D. (c.o.p.), L.M., L.R.C.S., of Blackrock, co. Dublin; b. 1846.

Hon. Victoria.

Hon. Sarah Anna; m. 1868, Lieut.-Col. Richard D. Pennefather, East Kent Militia.

Rox—*Four Hall, Clonbur, co. Galway*;

University Club, Dublin.]

Miss Dutheil, of Rutherglen, has intimated, through the Provost, her intention of presenting to the town a public park, and of making a carriage road along the bank of the Dee from the Inches to the park, which is to be at Arthur's Seat near the beautiful Allansvale Cemetery. The park will be 100 acres in extent, and will be given to the town free of charge, with a capital sum of not less than £15,000. When a lady sits such an excellent example of liberality our projected museum ought not to languish for want of funds. —Advertiser Cor.

—The information comes from a reliable source that large shipments of cigars manufactured by Chinese in San Francisco have been recently shipped to New York. Within the past thirty days over one million cigars have been sent East. The leaf tobacco comes from Connecticut and Pennsylvania, and the cigars manufactured therefrom are returned by rail to the eastern market. The cigars are favored in this city at prices ranging from \$22 to \$30 per 1,000. This shows the formidable advance of Chinese competition in the United States, and also shows that the cheap labor of New York cannot compete with the Mongolian labor of San Francisco.—San Francisco paper.

—It is not to be wondered at that the public patience with Baron Reuter. A telegram was published yesterday briefly announcing that Viscount Mountbatten had been shot dead at Clonbur in the County of Galway, and to-day comes a telegram explanatory apparently or adding to the information of yesterday that Viscount Mountbatten was shot by assassins, but still we remain in blissful ignorance as to whether the assassins murdered the unfortunate viscount in the course of private spite or that there was some of a political nature. Reuter, like most of his breed, is an inexplicable sphinx occasionally.—*Stratford Times*.

A SAN FRANCISCO paper has the following paragraph, apropos of the presence of the Japanese corvette *Tenku* within the Golden Gate:—

The presence of the Japanese corvette at our port and the sight of her sailors upon our streets, looking like veritable old timers, recall the first visit of a Japanese vessel to San Francisco, which occurred some time early in 1860. At that time the Japanese were no bats, as people which the sailors were, with the jaundises commonly known to generation. The greatest gaudiness was observed by the crew towards their superior officer, and it is said that when the logs of a superior crew were during his peregrinations about the city he would speedily be mounted pick-a-back upon a trusty and muscular inferior, and arms clasped tightly about the neck of his host, pursue his tour without interruption. A short time after the return of the vessel to their native shores the foreign customs of covering the head come into fashion among the Japanese, and a general clamor arose for hats. A nation to be hated! There was a famine in masculine headgear all over the civilized world. England, France, America, Germany and the United States went valiantly to her relief, and a steady stream of straw hats, phaetons, felt hats, hats, military caps, glazed caps and 17 names, of every size, shape and white, flowed into the country until the almost insatiable demand was met.

On the departure of the same vessel we were the following:—

The departure of the *Tenku* from our harbour was marked by a ceremony in board the vessel during her stay here, and showed an appreciation of the courtesy shown our visitors by the people of San Francisco. When the anchor was weighed and all was in readiness for the signal boat and to the engineer to go ahead, the yards were manned by the sailors in their dress uniforms. At the same instant as they were in their white suits gathered on the yards, hundreds of flags of every size and description and brilliancy of color appeared as if by magic on every point on the ship where a flag could be attached. Strings of them extended from the deck to the tops of the masts and from the spars. The officers and cadets formed on deck, the drums beat, bugles sounded, and a ringing cheer was given as the vessel started, and the cheer was repeated as the *Tenku* ploughed her way out of the Golden Gate. The Japanese Consul Mr. Yanagi, with Madame Yamaguchi, Mr. Nase, Mr. Mota, Dr. Itaya and Miss Emma Thorson, accompanied the vessel to Harbor View on the tug.

REFERRING to the steamers belonging to the R.C. M. S. N. Coy, the Coy's recent report says:—

There are only two, the *Kuang-ho* and the *Mel*, that require heavy repairs after the autumn. The machinery of the former is very good, but her body, which consists of American pine, is not very strong, and she cannot carry heavy cargoes. It is proposed to supply a strong casing after the autumn when trade is slack. This will cost about \$20,000, and Li Hung-chang already approved this course. The *Mel* is a strong vessel; but her machinery and boilers are old. They are moreover old-fashioned and her consumption of coal is too great. After the autumn, it is proposed to change her machinery and raise her deck. This will cost \$10,000.

“*ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN*” writes in the *European Mail*:—

It will no doubt be as much a surprise to Sir Hercules Robinson as to the inhabitants of New Zealand to hear that he is to be removed to the Cape to succeed Sir Harriet Rees. If it be considered, however, that the Cape is just now in a political muddle, it is certain that he will be welcomed by Sir Hercules to send him out there with the object of setting things right if he can. At some time the choice rested between Sir Arthur Gordon and Sir Hercules, but it was really thought in well informed political circles that the appointment would fall to Sir Arthur. It would not become me to draw comparisons between the two men, but it perhaps may be permitted to hint that I do not think Sir Arthur would be happy at the Cape, for the reason that the intratcable quality prevails very largely there, necessitating in a Governor something of that wisdom which is employed in moving an stubborn donkey by means of soft words and carrots. As, therefore, “driving” is opposed to “leading,” it is, perhaps, as well that the appointment has not been given to Sir Arthur. At the Cape they are extremely jealous of gubernatorial interference. Indeed, that colony has never been a bad place for Governors, and as Sir Arthur’s record is recalled because he has played the game of the colonists, and is very popular among them, it may be easily understood that a Governor who goes out to reverse the policy he initiated will have a very hard time of it to make himself popular. Doubtless Sir Hercules would rather remain where he is, and Sir Arthur would be equally willing, notwithstanding that affinities are against the suggestion that he should be sent to the Cape than to New Zealand. This may be inferred, if Fiji be excepted, that the government has made changes that are not likely to be popular, either with the men themselves or the colonies concerned. Unnatural people here say the Cape would rather retain Sir Arthur, and in this way people come to conclude that nothing but dissatisfaction—in so far as liberality our projected museum ought not to languish for want of funds. —Advertiser Cor.

WRITING of the *Jeddah* affair, Mitchell’s *Maritime Register* very properly says:—

The Master of a ship charged with the protection of life and property stands the highest degree of responsibility. That responsibility is however properly defined to include “the careful providence of his administration, the tact and temper of the officers who daily live among those whom he is to govern, and conciliate, including, when passengers are on board, individuals of every grade; the skill and seamanship and sagacity of the navigator; the vigilance of one who must rely on wind and sea with increasing distrust, and still hold human life and material wealth in his keeping; and the courage, self-possession, and prompt decision of the mind that rules alone through storm and sunshine.” That these characteristics are to be found amongst Shipmasters in our Merchant Marine is certain, and their exhibition, when necessary, has contributed in no small degree to raise the reputation of the British Merchant Service, and to inspire public confidence in the conduct and management of our going ships. And if a Shipmaster occasionally to be found who forgets what is due to himself, his employer, and to the service to which he belongs, we are happy to think that he forms the exception, and by no means the rule. We do not say that a man is bound to sacrifice his life in the attempt to save the lives and property of others; but, short of this, he and the

crew commands are bound to stand by the ship so long as there is a prospect of saving her, and the men who fail in the discharge of this obvious duty are unworthy of the name of British Seamen.

HENRY & CO.’S WEEKLY SHIPPING REPORT, PAGODA ANCHORAGE, 23RD SEPTEMBER:—

ARRIVALS DURING THE WEEK.—Sept. 18, Glencore, from Shanghai; 19, Loudoun Castle, from Shanghai; 21, Europe, from Swatow; 21, Mandovi, from Amoy; 21, Nama, from Hongkong; 22, Meath, from Malaga; 22, Miramar, from Amoy; 22, Hua San, from Vladivostock; 24, Hua San, from Shanghai; 24, Glensarn, from Shanghai.

DEPARTURES DURING THE WEEK.—Sept. 18, Hua San, for Shanghai; 19, Douglas, for Hongkong; 19, Laotze, for London; 20, Glencore, for New York; 23, Loudoun Castle, for Shanghai; 24, Laotze, for London; 24, Namur, from Hongkong; 25, Meath, from Malaga; 26, Miramar, from Amoy; 26, Hua San, from Shanghai.

SHIPPING IN PORT.—Hallowell, Black Adder, Sheldrake, Alice Mary, Mandovi, Meath, Miramar, Malaga, Hua San, Glensarn.

HENRY & CO.’S WEEKLY SHIPPING REPORT, PAGODA ANCHORAGE, 2ND OCTOBER:—

ARRIVALS DURING THE WEEK.—Sept. 25, Pouchet, from Swatow; 25, Mandovi, from Hongkong; 26, Honshu, from Shanghai; 26, Telemachus, from Shanghai; 26, Barcelona, from Vladivostock; 26, Sea Nymph, from Newchow; 27, Olympia, from Amoy; 29, Kwang Tung, from Hongkong; 30, Lucy, from Newchow; 30, Lucy, from Hongkong; 1, Swatow, from Swatow.

DEPARTURES DURING THE WEEK.—Sept. 26, Mandovi, for Shanghai; 26, Alice Mary, for Colonies; 26, Meath, for Colonies; 26, Miramar, for Tientsin; 26, Fochow, for Tientsin; 26, Black Adder, for London; 29, Malaga, for London; 29, Hua San, for Shanghai; 29, Mandovi, for Colonies; 30, Telemachus, for London; 30, Glensarn, for London; 30, Olympia, for Tientsin; Oct. 1, Kwang Tung, for Hongkong; 1, Hall, for London; 1, Bemary, for London.

SHIPPING IN PORT.—Sheldrake, Barcelona, Sea Nymph, Lucy, Europe, Douglas, Glensarn.

HENRY & CO.’S WEEKLY SHIPPING REPORT, PAGODA ANCHORAGE, 29TH SEPTEMBER:—

ARRIVALS DURING THE WEEK.—Sept. 29, Li King Shih, 32, of Namho, musician, was charged with stealing a hair pin value \$3, from Wan-fong chai, an inmate of a brothel.

ORDERED TO FINE TWO SURTIES OF \$25 EACH TO BE GOOD BEHAVIOR FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS, IN DEFAULT, TO BE COMMITTED FOR A FORTNIGHT.

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We have instituted as an experiment a *Visitors' Column*, which we trust will prove successful, and hope will be relegated from time to time such items of information, statistics, and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with which we have opened a **SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY**, applications for enrollment into which are now ready to receive.

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A more detailed list of subjects is included in the *Table of Contents*.

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